THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) The National Library's treasure of rare books, manuscripts and letters associated with Rabindra Nath Tagore, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, Sarat Chandra Chatterjee and Sarojini Naidu have been found in tact and not stolen from the Kolkata's National Library.

(b) There was no register, but a catalogue of Library's rare books which corroborates with the stock in the Rare Books Division of the Library.

(c) The catalogue is being used by scholars.

(d) and (e) CAG had reported non-cooperation of the then Director (I/C) National Library with the Audit team. They have stated that this deliberate act of non production of records needs to be viewed seriously by the Government.

Tax evasion by Units in SEZ

354. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has initiated a probe on the SEZ Units indulging in tax evasion by diverting goods and service in the Domestic Tariff Area;

(b) if so, what is the number of such units which are found to be involved in the tax evasion; and

(c) what action has been taken against these units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Employee strength of State Bank of Travancore

355. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the strength of employees and officers in State Bank of Travancore in the year 2003 and 2008;

(b) what is the number of employees and officers who have left the job on retirement accepting VRS etc. during the last three years;

(c) whether it is a fact that most of these vacancies are not filled up by new appointments;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) The strength of employees and officers during the years 2003 and 2008 is as under:-